

STEEL MILLS PREPARE FOR VIOLENCE AS STRIKE DRAWS NEAR

could not grant his request for delay and declared that "neither the President, Samuel Gompers, nor anybody else on earth could head off the strike now."

Apprehension in the Pittsburgh district is felt particularly over the repeated injunctions to the organizers now at work that they must hold the men of the independents in line as well as those in the United States Steel Corporation.

While the whole country is expected to be affected, however, it is believed the principal results of the strike will be felt in the Pittsburgh, Mahoning Valley and Chicago districts.

With the heads of the Steel Corporation still apparently as intransigent

in their stand as are the union leaders, preparations are being made today for any violence that may develop in the strike. Chief uneasiness is felt in the McKeesport district, where 25,000 men are employed by Steel Corporation subsidiaries, and which is second only to the Pittsburgh district itself.

UNION MEN TO DEMAND VOICE IN STEEL BUSINESS.

Mayor Lysle of McKeesport stated this morning that 1,200 volunteers had been sworn in to assist McKeesport in keeping peace and good order providing the steel workers strike Monday. The Mayor said that 400 of the volunteers were returned soldiers, sailors and marines.

Besides their formidable demands in the way of wages, hours and collective bargaining, the unions have far-reaching intentions regarding the steel industry, according to John Fitzpatrick, Chairman of the Organization Committee. He declared the "socialization" of the industry will be sought, and that the union men would demand representation on the Steel Corporation's board of directors and a voice in the business.

UNION CHIEFS TELL WILSON DELAY IS IMPOSSIBLE.

The union chiefs' letter to the President, after citing the grievances of the steel workers, the attempts of Federation leaders to avert a strike and the refusal of Mr. Gary to deal with the unions, says the President's request for delay would have been granted "were it not for the following facts:

1. Mr. Gary has asserted that his men need no trained representation in their behalf in presenting their grievances, notwithstanding that they can neither economically, by lack of means, nor intelligently, by lack of schooling, cope with him or his representatives.

2. That, ever since the men started to organize, a systematic persecution was instituted, beginning with discharge and ending with murder, recalling to us vividly the days of Homestead and the reign of despotism in Russia.

3. Through the efforts of the representatives of the steel industry, officials in various localities have denied the men free assembly and free speech. Instances are to numerous where meetings have been suppressed, men arrested, tried on various unfounded charges, excessive bail required and cruel punishment

imposed, all without warrant in law and justice.

4. As one of many examples, in the City of McKeesport, a meeting held by the men within their constitutional rights was broken up and men arrested and thrown into jail, charged with riot, and held to the excessive bail of \$1,000 each, while one of the hirelings of the steel industry arrested for the murder of a woman speaker at Brackenridge, Pa., is being held under bail of but \$2,500. Another patent example is Hammond, Ind., where four defenseless union men were charged upon and killed by hired detectives of the steel industry, and witnesses in behalf of their survivors have been so intimidated and maltreated that the truth of the killing was suppressed.

5. Guns and cannon have been planted in mills, highly charged electric wires have been strung around their premises.

6. Armed men in large numbers are going about intimidating not only the workers but everybody in many communities who shows the slightest indication of sympathy with the men.

7. Men have been discharged in increasingly large numbers day by day. Threats and intimidations are resorted to for the purpose of putting the men in fear and preventing them from the exercise of their own free will. They are coerced into signing statements that they are not members, nor will become members of any labor organization, and threatened with eviction, blacklist, denial of credit and starvation.

8. Threats that a forced decline of the market would be imposed, so as to wipe out their holdings in stock, which they were induced to purchase in years past. Threats to move the mills and to close them up indefinitely.

9. That an organized propaganda for vilification of the American Federation of Labor, spreading rumors that the strike will be delayed and that such delay is only a self-out.

SAYS I. W. W. IS MAKING HEADWAY.

10. Showing no opposition to the men joining dual organizations. As a result of this propaganda, the I. W. W. is making rapid headway in some districts.

11. That the real reason for opposition to organized labor representation on behalf of the men who have grievances is that the steel industry is preparing to cut wages and lower the standards to pre-war times and to return to a condition that encouraged the padrone system so prevailing in that particular industry.

"Mr. President, delay is no longer possible; we have tried to find a way but cannot. We regret that for the first time you call upon organized labor cannot meet with a favorable response. Believe us, the fault is not ours. If delay were no more than delay, even at the cost of membership in our organizations, we would urge the same to the fullest of our ability, notwithstanding the men are firmly set for an immediate strike.

"But delay here means the surrender of all hope. This strike is not at the call of its leaders, but that of the men involved. Win or lose, the strike is inevitable, and will continue until industrial despotism will recede from the untenable position now occupied by Mr. Gary. We have faith in your desire to bring about a conference and hope you will succeed therein.

"We fully understand the hardships that meanwhile will follow, and the terror that our employers will institute. The burden falls upon the men, but the great responsibility thereof rests upon the other side."

LAWSON AIR LINER ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The Lawson air liner carrying fourteen passengers landed at Bolling Field at 12:55 P. M. to-day, successfully completing the first leg of its transcontinental flight to San Francisco. The plane was due here at 11 o'clock but was delayed by head winds.

The Lawson air liner from Mitchell Field for Washington at 8:30 o'clock this morning on the first leg of a flight to San Francisco. She carried fourteen passengers, including four women. Several United States Senators who had accepted invitations failed to appear.

Those on board were Charles Cox, pilot; Mr. Lawson, Vincent Burnelli, engineer of the air liner; Miss Felicity Burnelli, his sister; Andrew M. Surin and Carl Schery, mechanics; Frederick A. Steele, New York Herald; Mrs. Steele; Evan David, associate editor of Flying, an aviation magazine; Miss Catharine Brody, Richard Wightman, Vice President of the Aeronautical Touring Association; Mrs. Wightman; Tracy H. Lewis and Frank Shober of Brooklyn.

SUES SLAYER FOR \$100,000.

Mrs. Becky Silverberg entered suit in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn for \$100,000 against Mrs. Rebecca Wansker, who was convicted of manslaughter recently for killing Samuel Silverberg, husband of the plaintiff, in a dispute over rent at No. 2409 West 17th street, Coney Island, in May, 1917.

Mrs. Wansker is now in Raymond street jail awaiting a new trial on a certificate of reasonable doubt obtained after Justice Chapman sentenced her to from ten to twenty years.

MAIL ROBBERS GET \$25,000.

SEATTLE, Sept. 19.—At least \$25,000 was obtained by robbers who bound and gagged a mail clerk on an east-bound Northern Pacific passenger train between Seattle and Kanakiet, Wash., to-day, according to reports received here by the police and railroad officials.

Gen. Pershing Addressing Congress After Receiving Nation's Thanks



GOMPERS TO ISSUE STATEMENT ON STEEL STRIKE NEXT MONDAY

His Reported Attitude Against Walk-out Responsible for Fitzpatrick's Visit.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—SAMUEL GOMPERS, President of the American Federation of Labor, will issue a statement Monday relative to the steel strike called for that date.

This announcement was made to-day following a conference between Mr. Gompers and John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the steel workers' committee.

Mr. Gompers refused to make any statement on the conference. It is understood that Gompers' inclination against the steel strike decision, which has been expressed several times, was the cause of Fitzpatrick's trip to Washington.

"SIT TIGHT," IS ATTITUDE OF STEEL CORPORATION

Judge Gary Continues Silence After Confering With Company's Officials.

E. H. Gary, head of the United States Steel Corporation, refused to make any statement to-day regarding the strike leaders' letter to President Wilson yesterday.

MINERS TAKE UP WAGES.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 19.—Delegates to the United Mine Workers of America convention here to-day considered the principal issues—the wage and hour scale, final ratification of plans for the nationalization of mines and action on the much discussed dual or triple alliance.

HAVRE DE GRACE RESULTS.

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md., Sept. 19.—FIRST RACE—For maiden two-year-olds (furlongs)—\$100,000 (five and a half furlongs)—Herd Girl, 114 (Mussgrave), \$4,500; 115 to 120 (Mussgrave), \$2,000; 121 to 125 (Mussgrave), \$1,000; 126 to 130 (Mussgrave), \$500; 131 to 135 (Mussgrave), \$250; 136 to 140 (Mussgrave), \$125; 141 to 145 (Mussgrave), \$62.50; 146 to 150 (Mussgrave), \$31.25; 151 to 155 (Mussgrave), \$15.62; 156 to 160 (Mussgrave), \$7.81; 161 to 165 (Mussgrave), \$3.90; 166 to 170 (Mussgrave), \$1.95; 171 to 175 (Mussgrave), \$0.97; 176 to 180 (Mussgrave), \$0.49; 181 to 185 (Mussgrave), \$0.24; 186 to 190 (Mussgrave), \$0.12; 191 to 195 (Mussgrave), \$0.06; 196 to 199 (Mussgrave), \$0.03.

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FIRE AGITATORS WHO HOLD CITY JOBS, SAYS THE MAYOR

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tion, started last week with George Stansfield of the Department of Charities at its head.

A meeting will be held at 5:30 this afternoon by delegates from the Civil Service Forum and the City and County Public Service Union to formulate a schedule of pay advances which will be presented to the Mayor and Board of Estimate. This meeting will be held in the Board of Health building and delegates are expected from at least twenty organizations whose membership is made up of the city employees.

At the call of Burt L. Schneider, President of the Union of Technical Men, thirty members of the Executive Council of fifteen city employees' unions and associations met last night at No. 5 Beekman Street and ratified a proposal to form a "Central Union," as it was tentatively called, and were instructed to put the proposal before the full membership of their organizations. They adjourned with the understanding that they would meet again at the call of Schneider.

FRICION BETWEEN VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IS SEEN.

That there is friction, or at least not an understanding, between the organizations, became apparent to-day when Frank J. Prial, Deputy City Comptroller and President of the Civil Service Forum, denied that he even knew Burt L. Schneider or that he was a city employee. The same thing was said at the office of the Chief, in whose rooms Schneider's meeting was held last night, with the added intimation that Schneider represented a group of radicals among the city employees.

Hugh Frayne, state organizer of the American Federation of Labor, on the other hand, said Schneider's meeting had the endorsement of the Federation.

The following organizations were represented at the Schneider meeting: Uniformed Firemen's Union, Police Benevolent Association, Teachers' Union, Union of Technical Men, County and City Public Service Clerks, Stenographers and Bookkeepers' Union, Water Meter Inspectors' Union, Health Inspectors' Union, Building Inspectors' Union, Tenement House Inspectors' Union, Street Cleaners' Union, Teamsters' Union, Keepers' Union (Turin and Jail) and Matrons' Union.

Every one of these, according to Mr. Frayne, except the Police Benevolent Association, has either already been granted or applied for a charter in the American Federation of Labor.

The Technical Men's Union, Mr. Frayne said, was organized eight months ago, the membership consisting largely of engineers, draughtsmen and their assistants, many of them city employees. He said Schneider was president, but was unable to give

his address or tell where he was employed. Mr. Frayne said the Technical Men, as an A. F. of L. body, would work with the City and County Public Service Union.

ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDED IN CIVIL SERVICE FORUM.

The Civil Service Forum is composed of these affiliated organizations: New York Civil Service Society, Inc., Per Diem Employees New York State Civil Service Association, Interborough Association of Women Teachers, Male Class Teachers' Civic Association, Aqueduct Sergeants' Association, New York Police Endowment Association, Police Lieutenants' Benevolent Association, Police Sergeants' Benevolent Association, Police Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Detectives' Endowment Association, Fire Chief Officers' Endowment Association, Fire Engineers' Benevolent Association, Street Cleaning Section Foremen's Association, United Protective Association of the Street Cleaning Department, Association of Civil Service Employees, Bureau of Street Cleaning, Borough of Queens; New York Letter Carriers' Association, New York Post Office Clerks' Association, United States Customs Weighers, Gaugers and Measurers' Association, United States Customs Merchandise and Sugar Samplers' Association, United States Customs Inspectors' Association.

Only two of these, said President Prial, are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor—The Fire Engineers' Benevolent Association and the United Protective Association of the Street Cleaning Department.

Mr. Prial said all of the organizations in the forum condemned strikes of city State or Federal employees. He said no strike ever had been or would be contemplated. With regard to affiliating with the A. F. of L., he said there was no objection to the various organizations doing so, but it was considered unwise.

Hugh Frayne of the A. F. of L., agreed that a strike of city employees was out of the question.

SHOT IN BANK HOLDUP.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Sept. 19.—Four men held up a branch house of the Grand Rapids Savings Bank to-day, shot a patron dead and escaped with \$3,445. Garrit Streelman, a huckster, was shot.

MARRIED.

BUSCHHAERT—HAAG—On Wednesday Sept. 17, 1919, PIERRE B. BUSCHHAERT and EDNA M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Haag, at the Church of Our Lady of Esperanza.

DIED.

PRYKE—ROBERT C. Lying in state at the CAMPBELL FUNERAL CHURCH, Broadway and 66th.

LOST, FOUND AND REWARDS.

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400,000 WORKERS TO QUIT MONDAY, SAYS UNION AGENT

Counsel Rubin Asserts Legal Action Will Be Brought Against Steel Corporation.

W. H. Rubin, general counsel for the union steel workers, arrived here to-day from Pittsburgh with the announcement that he would start legal action with the view of investigating and putting an end to "the humiliation and intimidation which the workers have suffered at the hands of the United States Steel Corporation."

Agents of the steel corporation, Rubin charged, were responsible for several murders accompanying the recent riots at Hammond, Ind. He also blamed the company for the murder of a woman speaker at Breckenridge, Pa., which he said occurred about three weeks ago.

"We will push our investigation to the highest officials, including Judge Gary," Rubin said, "and will determine who has been responsible."

Rubin declared that the inquests over the deaths at Hammond had been "aborted."

"We are determined to learn why the investigation of these deaths did not go further," Rubin asserted.

Four hundred thousand men will quit work when the strike call is issued Monday, asserted Rubin.

"The strike was inevitable," he said. "The men would not permit a postponement."

"From sixty-five to 100 per cent of the workers in the steel centres are unionized to-day."

Subscriptions to Irish Loan Begin. DUBLIN, Sept. 19.—Subscriptions for the Irish Republican loan of 250,000 pounds were opened to-day. No reliable data regarding the response is as yet available.

NURSE BRINGS ROYAL GIFT.

New York Woman Organized Italian Hospitals.

Miss Dora Pettinotti of No. 788 South Oak Drive, Williamsbridge, who was the first trained nurse to arrive in Italy from this country after the war began, arrived here on the Steamship America this afternoon. Miss Pettinotti was attached to the German Hospital in this city when in September, 1915, she volunteered as a trained nurse and paid her own passage to Italy, where she at once organized Italian Red Cross stations at Verona and Padua and later at Vicenza, Trent.

In Verona in 1916 her station was bombed by German airplanes. Later she was director and technical teacher in several large Italian hospitals, having two princesses of the royal blood under her. She wears an Italian Red Cross emblem set with 176 large rubies, the gift of royalty.

Honored by Danish King. The King of Denmark, it was announced through the Danish Consulate here to-day has conferred the honor of Knight of Dannebrog upon Dr. Elmer Hansen of No. 24 East 24th Street. Dr. Hansen served during the war as a captain and subsequently as a major in the Medical Corps of the United States Army.

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"And when my call shall come, I too shall be buried from Campbell's Funeral Church—and I have been careful enough to mention this in my last will."

"How similar are 'the old council tree' and Frank E. Campbell," I thought. "Both have developed from a small seed into a large, powerful factor."

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